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the application of : **Confirmation No. 6721**  
Morio GAKU et al. : Docket No. 2000\_1033A  
Serial No. 09/625,493 : Group Art Unit 1771  
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GLASS FABRIC BASE MATERIAL/  
THERMOSETTING RESIN COPPER-CLAD  
LAMINATE HAVING A HIGH-ELASTICITY

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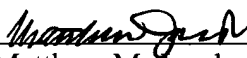
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Respectfully submitted,

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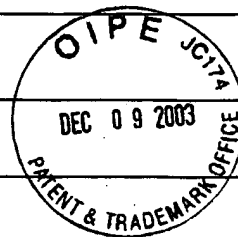
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